

**VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Regular Meeting held on February 25, 2014**

<b>Regular Meeting</b>	The Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Sirpenski, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
<b>Selectmen Present</b>	Robert A. Sirpenski, Ronald J. Millovitsch, Tracey L. Hanson
<b>Town Officials</b>	None
<b>Citizens Present</b>	Ty Cool; Janet Panko; Audience of Citizens
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	
Motion	A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 11, 2014 with the following change: Library Addition – Line one, change Acting Librarian to Library Director. Unanimously voted.
<b>Citizens Comments</b>	None
<b>Correspondence</b>	
DOT – Local Traffic Authority	The Office of the State Traffic Administration requested an update of local traffic authorities. Mr. Sirpenski noted that in the absence of a Police Commission or Police Force the BOS serves as the Local Traffic Authority.
Library	Ms. Rubin, Library Director, submitted a list of questions to the BOS regarding grants and donations as well as the possibility of obtaining 5013C status.
Lakeside Terrace	Mr. Sirpenski stated that he received a complaint about a storm drain on Lakeside Terrace. He noted that the Public Works Department had already been dispatched to the area at the time of the complaint and wanted to thank the Public Works Dept. for their diligence.
Town/School Radio Frequencies	Mr. Sirpenski noted that he received correspondence from J&S Radio Sales, Inc. regarding the radio frequencies used by the Town and School. J&S Radio is working to correct the frequencies and update equipment for the Town. Mr. Sirpenski forwarded the information to the school.
<b>Old Business</b>	
Methodist Church	<p>Mr. Sirpenski, Mr. Wesa and Mr. Cool, completed a grant application through the Conn. Trust for Historic Preservation. They are hopeful that the grant will help pay for a portion of the “make safe repairs” on the building. Mr. Sirpenski noted that the repairs are 97% complete. Mr. Blanchette submitted an easement proposal this evening that the BOS will review. The easement is necessary before the repairs can be completed.</p> <p>Attorney Carey, of Suisman/Shapiro, sent a reply regarding a referendum, and noted that based on his research, the Town cannot use an Advisory/Nonbinding Referendum to determine the future of the church. The BOS will decide on how to best address public input on the building, such as informational sessions, surveys, etc. Mr. Sirpenski noted the BOS will be getting estimates on several outcomes such as demolition, restoring on site, moving and restoring or selling. He noted this is a complex issue and he wants to bring as much information as possible before the Town.</p>
<b>New Business</b>	
EDC Appt. Motion	A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to appoint Jennifer Panko to an alternate position on the Economic Development Commission. Unanimously voted.
Budget Dev. Workshops	Mr. Sirpenski noted that Budget Development Packets have been sent out and he would like to set up workshops with the Boards/Commissions to review and discuss their requests. The BOS will work on a schedule.
Road Salt	The Town participated in the State Salt Contract and at present has sufficient supplies of salt. Mr. Sirpenski noted that the Town has been short for the last few storms and had to ration its use.

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News Reporters

Mr. Sirpenski stated that the Road Foreman was recently misquoted in an article in the Norwich Bulletin and the matter was addressed with the reporter.

**Adjournment**

Motion

A motion was made (Ronald Millovitsch, Tracey Hanson) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:32p.m. Unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

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Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

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Robert A. Sirpenski, Selectman